The Path to Spiritual Evolution

Sermon Delivered by Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba); Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

relayed live all across the globe

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Huzur (aba) said that generally, people in the world are steeped in materialism. There is a race to attain worldly pursuits and turmoil has ensued as a result.

God the Almighty and religion are given secondary importance.

Today Huzur (aba) related numerous accounts of how people in search of the true religion and God the Almighty were guided by God.

Huzur (aba) said that on the one hand, we have religious leaders who carry out injustices and cause Muslims to shed the blood of one another due to their own arrogance and egos.

On the other hand there are people who were idolaters and Allah the Almighty guided them and enabled them to now propagate the message of true Islam to others.

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There are those who long to find and join the true religion. They pray restlessly to find the means to connect to God the Almighty.

Allah the Almighty as was His promise, sent the Promised Messiah (as) and Imam Mahdi in this age to reconnect people with God the Almighty.

Mankind was informed that if they wanted inner peace and the means to true worship – they should accept this Chosen One of God.

God Almighty guides people who have a thirst to find the truth in astonishing ways. Both the past and present of Ahmadiyyat testify to this way of God.
Allah the Almighty guides those who adopt humility and compassion, and if they avail from this guidance then subsequently they become the recipients of Allah the Almighty’s grace.

In a far-flung area of Burkina Faso an individual is guided by God the Almighty. Suado Sahib accepted Ahmadiyyat after Jalsa Germany. Once on a journey he stopped for prayer and the only place to pray was an Ahmadi mosque, and so he was forced to pray with them. Later in a dream he saw thousands of people who surround one man. He was told in the dream this is the person who he should listen to. When later he went to the mission house he saw on TV the exact same scene and person in his dream (it was the concluding session of the Jalsa and Huzur delivering the address).

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Ahmad Sahib from Syria wherein he was guided by Allah the Almighty to the truth. He used to oppose the Jama’at (Community).

He would discuss various religious matters with some Ahmadi friends but could not tolerate the idea of the death of Jesus (as).

One of the Ahmadi friends, Mutazil Qazaq Sahib, told him to seek guidance from Allah the Almighty regarding this issue. He fervently prayed that night and saw a person in his dream who saved him from falling into a deep pit and said, ‘Abu Hasan! [his filial appellation] Do not come here ever again and know that Jesus (as) has passed away.’

When he woke up from his dream, he went to Qazaq Sahib’s house and upon entering saw a picture. He enquired about the picture and was told that this was the picture of the Promised Messiah (as).

Ahmad Sahib immediately said that he wished to do the Bai’at (oath of allegiance) as this was the person who he saw in his dream.
A retired army officer donated a plot of land for the Jama’at to use to construct a mosque. When the Jama’at officials went to visit the site, they discovered that a basement had already been constructed and the gentlemen intended to build his house thers.

The army officer explained that he saw his late father in a dream in which he advised him to build a mosque instead of a house. Hence, he decided to donate the land to the Jama’at (Ahmadiyya Community).
Saeedo Sahib, who lives in a remote village of the Ivory Coast stated that Islam reached his village through his grandfather, however, over time people slowly moved away from Islam altogether.

He stated that he would often pray to God Almighty in anguish for true Islam to be practiced there once again.

In 2016, in the blessed month of Ramadhan he was praying on one occasion to the extent that his eyes began to swell up with tears.

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Huzur (aba) stated that it is a matter to contemplate that people in developed countries are abandoning religion and focusing solely on worldly pursuits, whereas a remote village in a far off country in Africa, which does not have any luxuries is longing for the true teachings of Islam to be spread in their village.
Huzur (aba) stated that it was the duty of every Ahmadi to spread the true teachings of Islam to every individual.

Huzur (aba) then read an extract from the Promised Messiah (as) in which the Promised Messiah (as) emphasised that performing the Bai’at [pledge of initiation] is not a matter to be taken lightly.

One can only fulfil the pledge of initiation when one forsakes their own existence and becomes completely devoted and sincere.

May God Almighty grant steadfastness to all those who are entering into this fold. May God Almighty grant us the opportunity to establish a connection with Him and may we never become the source for another to waver in his faith.

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